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REMARKS

Applicants received the attached Notice To File Missing Parts Of Nonprovisional Application indicating that an abstract was not provided. A careful review of the application papers as filed on January 5, 2001 indicates that an abstract was in fact filed on pages 25 and 26 of the specification. Please find attached a copy of the return postcard stamped by the PTO and verified as including "1 page of Abstract." Applicants respectfully point out that a stamped postcard is prima facie evidence that the abstract was included in the originally filed application. The confusion in this matter is apparently due to the length of the abstract exceeding a single page, thus leading an employee of the PTO to mistakenly assume that the abstract was missing since the last page is not entitled "Abstract." Applicants thus assert that an abstract was filed with the specification on January 1, 2001.

In light of the obvious need to correct the current abstract to conform to the 150-word limit imposed under 37 CFR 1.72(b), please find attached a substitute Abstract that Applicants hereby request be used to replace the Abstract originally filed with the application.

In light of the stamped postcard serving as prima facie evidence that an abstract was included in the originally filed application, no fee is believed to be required; however, in the event a fee is required, please consider that extension requested and please charge the fee for that extension, as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application to **IBM Corporation** **Deposit Account No. 09-0464.**

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